2009 Indiana Teacher of the Year Program

TO: All Superintendents

FROM: Catherine Danyluk

State Coordinator

Indiana Teacher of the Year Program

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The 2009 Indiana Teacher of the Year Program applications have been mailed to all principals of public and non-public accredited schools. All licensed classroom teachers in state accredited public and non-public schools are eligible.

Candidates will be considered on the basis of the following criteria, in alignment with the Council of Chief State School Officers, National Teacher of the Year program:

- be an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable, and skilled teacher in an Indiana accredited public or non-public school, pre-kindergarten through grade twelve, who is planning to continue an active teaching status: (Supervisory and administrative responsibilities should be of secondary consideration);
- inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn;
- have the respect and admiration of students, parents, and colleagues;.
- play an active and useful role in the community as well as in the school; and
- be poised, articulate, and possess the energy to withstand a taxing schedule.

Completed portfolios must be received by August 1, 2008 and mailed to:

Indiana Teacher of the Year Program Attention: Catherine Danyluk Indiana Department of Education 151 West Ohio Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

The application can be accessed at: www.doe.in.gov/toy/welcome.html

For additional information or applications, please contact Catherine Danyluk, State Coordinator, 317-232-9150 or cdanyluk@doe.in.gov.